CHAPTER 109

HANDICAPPED EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE

H. F. 549

AN ACT to establish a committee to be known as the governor's committee on employment of the handicapped, to prescribe the duties and responsibilities of the committee, and to provide an appropriation therefor.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 There is hereby established a committee to be known as the "Governor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped".
- 1 The committee shall be composed of a minimum of twentyfour (24) members appointed by the governor and such additional members as the governor may appoint. Insofar as practicable, the 3 committee shall consist of representatives of industry, labor, business, agriculture, federal, state, and local government, and representatives of religious, charitable, fraternal, civic, educational, medical, legal, veteran, welfare, women's, and other professional groups and organizations. Members shall be appointed representing every geo-9 graphic center and employment area of the state.
- The following shall serve as ex officio members of the com-1 2 mittee.

 $\bar{3}$ 1. The commissioner of public health.

2. The director of mental health of the state board of control.

The state superintendent of public instruction.
 The director of vocational rehabilitation.
 The director of the commission for the blind.

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- 7. The industrial commissioner. 9
- 8. The chairman of the employment security commission. 10

11 9. The chairman of the state board of social welfare.

- 12 10. A member of the state board of vocational education designated 13 by the governor.
 - SEC. 4. Members of the committee appointed by the governor shall 1 serve for a term of two (2) years except that of the members ap-3 pointed as of the effective date of this Act, one-half (1/2) shall serve until June 30, 1966, and one-half $(\frac{1}{2})$ shall serve until June 30, 1967. 4 Vacancies on the committee shall be filled for the remainder of the 5 6 term of the original appointment. Members whose terms expire may be reappointed.
 - 1 The governor shall appoint a committee chairman and a vice-chairman and such other officers as he deems necessary. Such officers shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified. Members of the committee shall receive no compensation for their 4 5 services.

SEC. 6. The committee shall:

- 2 1. Carry on a continuing program to promote the employment of 3 handicapped persons.
 - 2. Co-operate with all public and private agencies interested in the employment of the handicapped.

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3. Co-operate with all agencies responsible for or interested in the rehabilitation and placement of the handicapped.

4. Encourage the organization of committees at the community level and work closely with such committees in promoting the employment of the handicapped.

5. Assist in developing employer acceptance of qualified handi-

capped workers.

6. Inform handicapped persons of specific facilities available in seeking employment.

- 7. Conduct such educational programs as members deem necessary.

 8. Report annually to the governor and general assembly on com-
- 8. Report annually to the governor and general assembly on committee activities and submit any recommendations believed necessary in promoting the employment of handicapped persons.
- SEC. 7. Committee officers may appoint an executive secretary and designate the duties and obligations of the position. Any person so employed may be the employee of another agency of state government appointed with the consent of the executive officer of such agency. The officers may appoint such other personnel as may be necessary for the efficient performance of the duties prescribed by this Act.
- SEC. 8. The committee is authorized to receive any gifts, grants, or donations made for any of the purposes of its program and to disburse and administer the same in accordance with the terms thereof.
- SEC. 9. There is hereby appropriated to the governor's committee on employment of the handicapped from the general fund of the state for each year of the biennium beginning July 1, 1965, and ending June 30, 1967, the sum of fifteen thousand (15,000) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary for carrying out the purpose of this Act.

Approved June 3, 1965.

CHAPTER 110

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY BENEFITS

H. F. 42

AN ACT to amend section ninety-six point three (96.3), subsection* four (4) and five (5), Code 1962, as to the method of determining benefit amount and duration of benefits for employment compensation, and as to the method of determining the contribution rates of employers, and also of employers with deficit accounts.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Section ninety-six point three (96.3), Code 1962, is hereby amended by striking subsection four (4) and substituting in lieu thereof the following:
- 4 "4. Determination of benefits. An individual's weekly benefit 5 amount shall be an amount equal to one-twenty-second $(\frac{1}{22})$ of his 6 total wages in insured work paid during that quarter of his base period 7 in which such total wages were highest, subject to the following limi-

^{*}According to enrolled Act.